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June 12, 2007

Honorable James H. Welsh Commissioner of Conservation State of Louisiana Post Office Box 44275 Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-4275

Re: APPLICATION FOR PUBLIC HEARING.

Pettet Zone, Reservoir B, and Hosston C Zone, DANVILLE FIELD, Bienville Parish, Louisiana.

Dear Sir:

EL PASO E&P COMPANY, L.P. ("Applicant"), hereby respectfully applies for a public hearing to consider evidence relative to the issuance of Orders pertaining to the following matters relating to the Pettet Zone, Reservoir B, and to the Hosston C Zone, in the Danville Field, Bienville Parish, Louisiana:

- 1. To establish rules and regulations governing the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the Pettet Zone, Reservoir B.
- 2. To create a single drilling and production unit for the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the Pettet Zone, Reservoir B, such unit being designated PET RB SUA and being shown on the attached plat.
- 3. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the proposed unit with each separate tract sharing in unit production on a surface acreage basis of participation.
- 4. To designate applicant as Operator of, and its Martin Timber 7 No. 1 Well (located as shown on the attached plat) as the unit well for, the proposed unit.
- 5. To provide that future wells drilled to the Pettet Zone, Reservoir B, within or outside of the proposed unit be located in accordance with the provisions of Statewide Order No. 29-E.
- 6. To define the Pettet Zone, Reservoir B, as that gas and condensate bearing interval encountered between the measured depths of 7,600 feet and 7,660 feet in the El Paso (formerly Sonat Exploration)--Martin Timber 7 No. 1 Well, located in Section 7, Township 14 North, Range 5 West, Bienville Parish, Louisiana.
- 7. To approve the downhole combination of production from the Pettet Zone, Reservoir B, underlying PET RB SUA with production from the Hosston C Zone underlying HOSS C SUAA, in the wellbore of the proposed unit well and in any future wells drilled on these units in which the ownership interests in the units are identical.

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8. To consider such other matters as may be pertinent.

The Hosston C Zone in Danville Field is defined in Supplement to Office of Conservation Order No. 729-B, effective April 1, 1972.

Pertinent data concerning this application is available for inspection at the offices of Louis Gilbert & Associates, Inc., 3636 North Causeway Boulevard, Suite 204, Metairie, Louisiana 70002-7216. Any person wishing to inspect such data should call Mr. Louis Gilbert at (504) 834-8112 during normal business hours in order to arrange a date and time for such inspection. A copy of any such pertinent data which is not otherwise available from the records of the Louisiana Office of Conservation can be obtained from Mr. Gilbert at the expense of the requesting party.

By letter dated May 30, 2007, Applicant gave notice, in accordance with the Revised Rules of Procedure, of its intention to apply for a public hearing concerning these proposals and a preapplication conference with respect to Applicant's proposals was tentatively scheduled for June 21, 2007. No request for the pre-application conference was received within ten (10) days after the date of the preapplication notice; therefore, no conference will be held.

Attached hereto is a plat showing the proposed unit (which is identical to the plat attached to the pre-application notice). Also attached hereto is a list of the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties to whom a copy of this application is being sent. Pursuant to the Revised Rules of Procedure, such list is being forwarded only to the Commissioner of Conservation and to the District Manager of the Shreveport District of the Office of Conservation. A copy of the list will be furnished by the undersigned to any party so requesting. A reasonable effort was made to obtain a complete list of Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties.

Applicant will provide for posting of a copy of the Legal Notice of this hearing, and of the enclosed plat, at a prominent place in the area affected and will cause publication of the Legal Notice in a newspaper published in the general area of Danville Field, all in accordance with the Revised Rules of Procedure. Furthermore, a copy of the Legal Notice will be mailed to all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties promptly upon receipt of the Legal Notice from the Commissioner.

Finally, we enclose our check payable to the Commissioner of Conservation for the

application fee.

David L. Smelley

Attorney for El Paso E&P Company, L.P

DLS:dp Enclosures

cc: Mr. Jim Broussard (w/encls.)

Ms. Nancy Fractor (w/encls.)

Mr. Louis Gilbert (w/encls.)
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